

## CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1           1. (original) A shopping bag made of a thermoplastic  
2 synthetic resin with two adjacent side panels (8 and 9) welded  
3 together at side (6 and 7) and bottom edges and having inner faces  
4 to which are welded profiled strips of a closure (4) operable by a  
5 slider (3) and serving to close a fill mouth (10), characterized in  
6 that each side panel (6 and 7) is formed below the closure (2) with  
7 a hand hole (4).

1           2. (original) The shopping bag according to claim 1,  
2 characterized in that the hand hole (4) is punched out of the side  
3 panels (6 and 7).

1           3. (original) The shopping bag according to claim 1,  
2 characterized in that the hand hole (4) is formed as a C-shaped  
3 cutout in the side panels (6 and 7).

1           4. (currently amended) The shopping bag according to  
2 ~~one of claims~~ claim 1 [[to 3]], characterized in that a  
3 thermoplastic-foil reinforcement (5) is welded on an inner face of  
4 each side panel (6 and 7) around each of the hand holes (4).

1           5. (currently amended) The shopping bag according to  
2 ~~one of claims~~ claim 1 [[to 4]], characterized in that the side  
3 panels (6 and 7) are made of an insulating foil.

1           6. (original) A shopping bag made of a thermoplastic  
2 synthetic resin with two adjacent side panels (12 and 13) welded  
3 together at side and bottom (17) edges and having inner faces to  
4 which are welded profiled strips of a closure (14) operable by a  
5 slider 18) and serving to close a fill mouth, characterized in that  
6 a handle (15 or 16) made of a thermoplastic synthetic-resin foil is  
7 welded to an outer face of each side panel (12 and 13), each handle  
8 (15 and 16) being formed with a hand hole and extending in welded-  
9 on condition toward the floor edge (17) of the bag (11) and lying  
10 flatly against the respective side panel (12 and 13).

1           7. (original) The shopping bag according to claim 6,  
2 characterized in that the hand holes (19) are each made as an  
3 opening punched in the respective handles (15 and 16).

1           8. (original) The shopping bag according to claim 6,  
2 characterized in that the hand holes (19) are formed as C-shaped  
3 cutouts in the handles (15 and 16).

1           9. (currently amended) The shopping bag according to  
2 ~~one of claims~~ claim 6 [[to 8]], characterized in that the side  
3 panels (12 and 13) are made of an insulating foil.

1           10. (currently amended) The shopping bag according to  
2 ~~one of claims~~ claim 6 [[to 9]], characterized in that the handles  
3 (15 and 16) are welded on directly below the closure (14).

1           11. (currently amended) The shopping bag according to  
2 ~~one of claims~~ claim 6 [[to 10]], characterized in that the handles  
3 (15 and 16) are welded on together with the closure (14).

1           12. (currently amended) The shopping bag according to  
2 ~~one of claims~~ claim 6 [[to 10]], characterized in that the handles  
3 (15 and 16) extend partially across the side panels (12 and 13) or  
4 extend over the full width of the side panels (12 and 13).